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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND SUBMISSION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir:

This paper is submitted along with a Request for Continued Examination and constitutes a submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. A final Office Action dated August 28, 2006 had been pending. This paper is set forth as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

REQUEST		Application No.	09/466,046	
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.				
NOTE: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filling a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.				
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The RCE see under C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed				
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